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for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

(e) All contracts, including small purchases, awarded by recipients and their contractors shall contain the contract clauses in appendix A to this regulation, as applicable.

REPORTS AND RECORDS

§ 145.50 Purpose of reports and records.

Sections 145.51 through 145.53 set forth the procedures for monitoring and reporting on the recipient's financial and program performance and the necessary standard reporting forms. They also set forth record retention requirements.

§ 145.51 Monitoring and reporting program performance.

- (a) Recipients are responsible for managing and monitoring each project, program, subaward, function or activity supported by the award. Recipients shall monitor subawards to ensure subrecipients have met the audit requirements as delineated in § 145.26.
- (b) The Department shall prescribe the frequency with which the performance reports shall be submitted. Except as provided in §145.51(f), performance reports shall not be required more frequently than quarterly or, less frequently than annually. Annual reports shall be due 90 calendar days after the grant year; quarterly or semi-annual reports shall be due 30 days after the reporting period. The Department may require annual reports before the anniversary dates of multiple year awards in lieu of these requirements. The final performance reports are due 90 calendar days after the expiration or termination of the award.
- (c) If inappropriate, a final technical or performance report shall not be required after completion of the project.
- (d) When required, performance reports shall generally contain, for each award, brief information on each of the following.
- (1) A comparison of actual accomplishments with the goals and objectives established for the period, the findings of the investigator, or both. Whenever appropriate and the output

of programs or projects can be readily quantified, such quantitative data should be related to cost data for computation of unit costs.

- (2) Reasons why established goals were not met, if appropriate.
- (3) Other pertinent information including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs.
- (e) Recipients shall not be required to submit more than the original and two copies of performance reports.
- (f) Recipients shall immediately notify the Department of developments that have a significant impact on the award-supported activities. Also, notification shall be given in the case of problems, delays, or adverse conditions which materially impair the ability to meet the objectives of the award. This notification shall include a statement of the action taken or contemplated, and any assistance needed to resolve the situation.
- (g) The Department may make site visits, as needed.
- (h) The Department shall comply with clearance requirements of 5 CFR part 1320 when requesting performance data from recipients.

§145.52 Financial reporting.

(a) The following forms or such other forms as may be approved by OMB are authorized for obtaining financial information from recipients.

(1) SF-269 or SF-269A, Financial Status Report

(i) The Department shall require recipients to use the SF-269 or SF-269A to report the status of funds for all nonconstruction projects or programs, unless an equivalent form has been prescribed by the Grants Officer and approved by the OMB and the Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), e.g., Form JF-61 for the Office of Overseas Schools (A/OPR/OS). The Department may also have the option of not requiring the SF-269 or SF-269A when the SF-270, Request for Advance or Reimbursement, or SF-272, Report of Federal Cash Transactions, is determined to provide adequate information to meet its needs, except that a final SF-269 or SF-269A shall be required at the